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Honor, God, and Country!

I met a former neighbor yesterday at a Memorial Day event sponsored by the Gold Star Mothers. I had no idea he was going to be there, and both of us were speechless when I came upon him. He was dressed in his battle fatigues, standing next to two of his Marine buddies.

All I could think about was when he was just a little kid running around the back yard terrorizing his sister, but yesterday he was standing tall, but he wasn't running anymore.

His likeness was depicted on a greater than life size mural commemorating the lives of 15 Marines who lost their lives when their armored personnel carrier hit an IED in the battle for Haditha, Iraq in 2005. His name was Lance Corporal Christopher Dyer. I stood and stared in humble adoration of a 19 year old Marine who lost his life serving our country. I had only heard about the murals, and had no advance indication they would be at this Memorial Day event.

It brought the true meaning of Memorial Day rushing home. I can only imagine the pain and the pride of all of those throughout our country who have sacrificed so much.



His mother was so overwhelmed by the loss of her son that she gave up her decorating business, and entered the ministry to honor her son's life.... A son dies for his country, and his mother goes to work for another Son. It is only fitting that Honor, God and Country came together through tragedy.

I hope you all had a blessed Memorial Day and may the spirit of all of those who have died for us be with you each and every day.

May God Bless each of You,
Jim Rechel,
ICJE Newsletter Editor

I have included additional information about the Lima Company tribute below.





Eyes of Freedom - Lima Company Tribute

For more information: [Lima Company Memorial](#)

For a short video from the artist, click on the image below:



The Lima Company Memorial: The Eyes of Freedom

Sorry I am Late with this Newsletter: This is Why....

Like so many of you I have a honey-do list. One of mine was to convert my old home office into a new guest bed room. My daughter, who recently graduated from Alabama has taken a job in Tennessee, left me a great room for my new home office.

As a side note my daughter has placed herself at high risk based upon the special license plate she chose when she registered her car in Tennessee (just 40 miles north of UT mind you):



Well, the new guest bedroom needed a bed, and since I am so cheap (a seemingly common theme amongst law enforcement) I told my wife "We don't need to buy a bed, I can just build a headboard out of an old door. I can do that." Famous last words.

Months passed and I never had time until guests from Athens, Alabama were on their way and my wife gently reminded me that we still didn't have a headboard for the guest bedroom.

So the last two weekends were spent doing this:

I bought an old door, cut it to the length and width I needed, then started stripping the old paint:



Next I cut to length 2 - 4 x 4's for the legs, and some trim for the top and began building the headboard:



A neighbor stopped by and suggested that I keep the door knob plate, so I cleaned layers of paint from it and attached it where it was originally located on the door,



I then attached the bed frame,



Painted some bedside tables we found at Pottery Barn Outlet, which were scratched and bruised, but with a few coats of the same paint I used on the headboard they were brought back to life and we were ready for our guests from Athens!



Maybe a little bit of TMI, but it beats all the other excuses I could come up with as to why the newsletter is late!

The OODA Loop

California Rampage - Immediate Action Can Save Lives

"Again I saw that under the sun the race is not to the swift, nor the battle to the strong, but time and chance happen to them all ... For man does not know his time. Like fish that are taken in an evil net, and like birds that are caught in a snare, so the children of man are snared at an evil time, when it suddenly falls upon them." Ecclesiastes 9:11



The lone killer (I refuse to use his name) that went on a rampage intended to kill everyone in a nearby sorority house was thwarted by a locked door. While many others died as he randomly struck out, stabbing, shooting and running people over with his car, the simple act of keeping the entry door to the house secured was no doubt a significant factor in saving lives.

For those involved in training or in creating guidelines for your workplace to deal with Active Threats may want to reinforce the importance of the "lock down" component during emergencies. However, while it may prevent a perpetrator from gaining access, it is important that you address

unintended consequences if emergency personnel cannot enter a facility if a perpetrator has already entered.

In addition, information about the OODA Loop concept can help responders as well as potential victims in the immediacy of an emergency.

The phrase OODA loop refers to the decision cycle of observe, orient, decide, and act, developed by military strategist and USAF Colonel John Boyd. Boyd applied the concept to the combat operations process, often at the strategic level in military operations. It is now also often applied to understand commercial operations and learning processes.

Observe:

- Distance from the opponent
- What stance/position he is in
- What clothing/armour is he wearing that may be protective?
- Which foot does he have forward?
- What weapon is he carrying and what are its characteristics?
- Does he have an obvious reach or strength advantage over me?
- What is the terrain between us?
- Does he have help/colleagues?
- Does he have cover or obstacles that he can use to his advantage?

Orient:

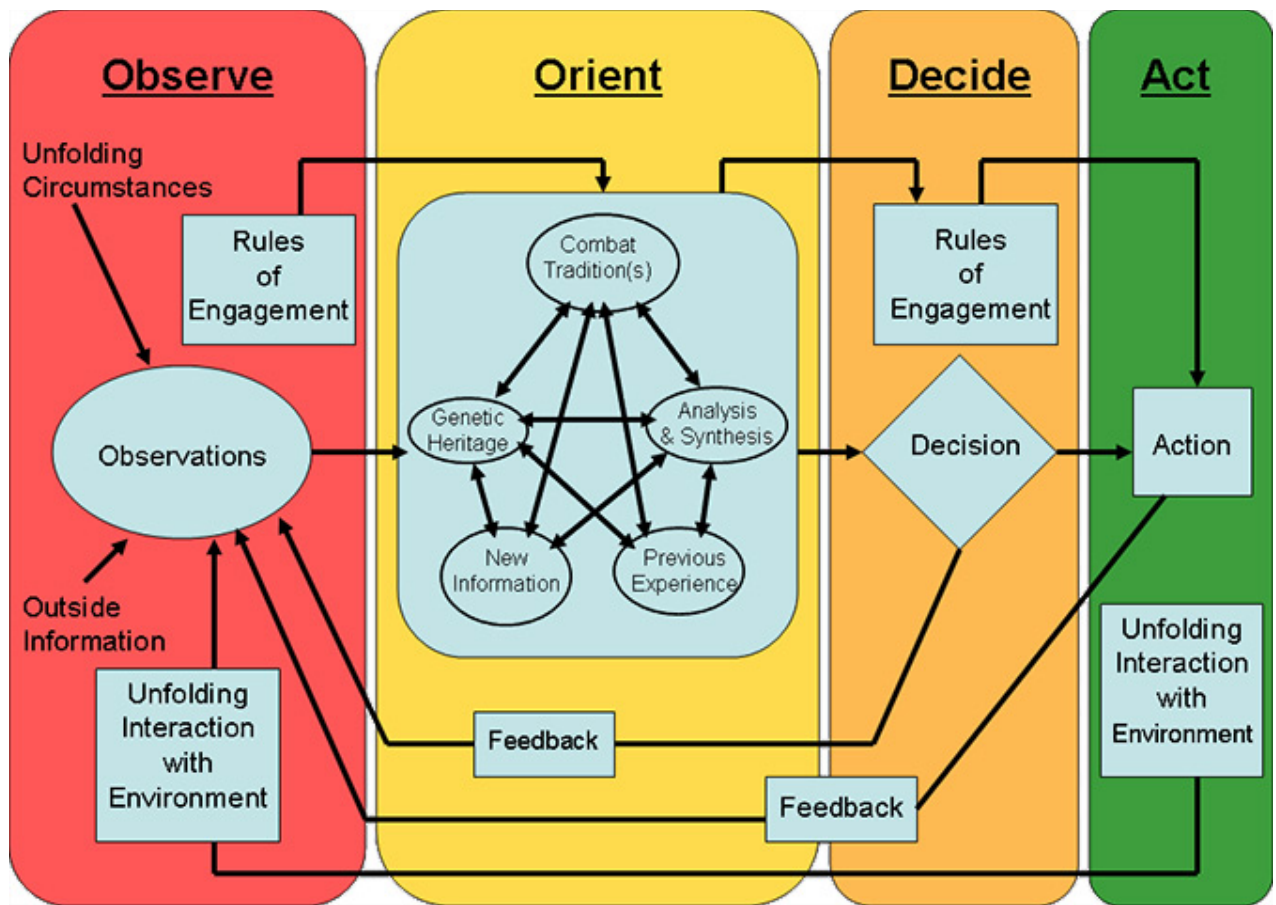
- How quickly can I reach him?
- How does my weapon match up with his?
- What stance/position will be the best to use as a starting point for my attack?
- How can I make best use of any terrain features?
- How will his clothing/armour affect my choice of attacks?
- What is his most likely response?

Decide:

- Take the most advantageous stance/position
- Step/angle to close the distance the most efficiently
- Choose the timing that will work the best
- Use the appropriate attack or provoking action

Act:

- Hit him!



For reference material: [Oakland, CA - 2012 - Locked Door Saves Students From Killer](#)

OODA Loop Information: [OODA Loop Website](#)

Observant Citizen and Police Response Stops Mass Killer

Three weeks ago, a teenager in Minnesota was planning a similar attack as the one in California. The Police were called after receiving a tip, and the results in this case were very different. For an outstanding, detailed article



on what the citizen observed and reported to police follow the link below. I think you will be struck by the similarities and the differences from last weeks incident in California.

For more information: [Observant Citizen and Proactive Response](#)

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